

'Inquire Before You Retire' Local SS Manager Advises

"Inquire before you retire" is the social security office recommendation to prospective retirees.

According to Miles Davis, social security district manager in Torrance, persons who have obtained information regarding necessary papers and have them on hand at the time of filing for old-age insurance benefits will receive benefit payments promptly.

Proof of age was cited by Davis as one difficulty that can usually be overcome by seeking advice from the social security office before retirement. Many people worry needlessly because no public record of their birth was made; this is true of many who are now reaching retirement age. Davis said, because less than 45 per cent of births in the United States between 1890 and 1920 were reported. But there are many other documents that can be used to establish proof of age, and most people have at least one.

OTHERS NEVER think about proofs until they file their claims and then find that they have to send proof for a record. A person who does not know his exact date of birth or who has used different dates in the past, is particularly likely to encounter difficulty with proof of age.

Social security requirements regarding proof of age are not intended to create hardship for the claimant. Certificates of birth or baptism are usually the best types of evidence but other records such as old insurance policies, marriage licenses, family Bibles, census and military records, passports, and immigration records may also be considered.

IN FACT, according to Davis, "Everything from a gold watch to a tombstone has been used as proof of age." The gold watch was engraved to show the owner's name, the date of presentation, and that it was given on his 12th birthday. The tombstone was examined by a social security field representative because it showed the date of death of the applicant's mother who, according to other evidence, died at his birth.

In some cases, proof of marriage, divorce, adoption, recent earnings, and the like may be required. These may take time to get if not already in the applicant's possession. Thus, the person who does not follow the "inquire before you retire" advice may have to wait for his retirement until the necessary evidence is located, and evaluated.

INFORMATION concerning required proofs and other social security matters may be requested in person, by mail, or by telephone from your Torrance social security office at

Disney Film On Aquarium Meet Agenda

James Marshall will lead the question and answer meeting of the Harbor Aquarium Society Nov. 29 at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Hall at McMasters Park, Artesia and Yukon Ave. The showfish of the month will be the *Legistes reticulatus* or as commonly known, the guppy, most prolific of live bearing fish. There will also be a Walt Disney film. Attendance prize will be a five-gallon aquarium and hood. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. All tropical fish fanciers are welcome.

Businessmen Invited to Tax Clinic

A tax clinic to help businessmen take advantage of many new provisions in the income tax law will be held Thursday, Dec. 5, under the sponsorship of the Division of Business at Long Beach State College.

The clinic will be held at the Edgewater Inn, 640 Pacific Coast Hwy., in Long Beach, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants in the clinic include representatives from the Internal Revenue Service. A fee of \$12 will be charged, and luncheon is included.

Officer Appointed

Fred Strohmeier, executive vice president of Cabrillo Savings, has been appointed to the new associations committee of the California Savings and Loan League, Franklin Harding Jr., executive vice president of the statewide trade organization, has announced.

West High Gets Second In Tourney

Students at West High School garnered a second place award at the Aviation High School speech tournament last week.

James Ellis, Dave Valaska, John Hamlin, and Doug Grandpre were awarded gold medals in the debate competition, and Ellis and Valaska picked up a second gold medal for impromptu speaking. Certificates of superiority in debate were won by Steve

Pearlston, Linda Underwood, Dave Valdeed, Bob Redford, Sally Erickson, and Neil Campbell. Campbell also was given a certificate of superiority in humorous interpretation. Excellent ratings were won

by Peggy Hasegawa, oratorical interpretation; Charlotte Cooker, and Vicki Kulpa, dramatic interpretation. The group was accompanied by Miss Bertha Daigle, drama teacher at West High.

'Island in Sun' Shown Tomorrow

Harry Belafonte, James Mason and Dorothy Dandridge star in the color feature "Island in the Sun," to be pre-

sented in Harbor College's Seahawk Center tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. The film is based on Alec Waugh's novel

Senior Class Picks 'Diary' For Staging

The Senior Class of South High School has selected "The Diary of Anne Frank" as its annual play.

The production will be presented on Dec. 6 and 7 at 8 p.m. in the Spartan Cafeteria.

Ellen Kogan draws the starring role of Anne Frank, a 14-year-old girl who hid in an

attic for two years to escape discovery in a concentration camp.

"The Diary of Anne Frank" is under the direction of Von Hershey and the production of Marlin Muse. Pamela Hazelton is the student director and Gail Stuart is the stage manager.

The cast includes Bill Schapira, Rosemary Heath, Ed Glo-

er, Jan Ruebsamen, Marc Mendelsohn, Karen Laffey, John Warf, and Rick Gilbert.

City Ills Down

One case of scarlet fever and one of syphilis was reported to the Los Angeles County Health Department for the Torrance area during the week ending Nov. 16.



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